

**SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS:**

Page 1, lines 6-7, please replace the paragraph with the following replacement paragraph:

The invention relates in general to a scanner, and more particularly to a scanner with a scan-starting device ~~comprising a key section and a trigger section.~~

Page 5, line 20 through page 6, line 5, please replace the paragraph with the following replacement paragraph:

The invention particularly installs the infrared sensor emitter 309a and the infrared sensor receiver 309b on the circuit board 312 of the carriage 303. The infrared sensor receiver 309b receives the infrared emitted by the infrared sensor emitter 309a when no obstacle exists between the infrared sensor emitter 309a and the infrared sensor receiver 309b (as illustrated by the dashed-line arrow in FIG. 3A). Having received infrared, the infrared sensor receiver 309b generates a triggering signal and ~~send~~ sends it to the control circuit 310 of the circuit board 312. The control circuit 310 starts the carriage 303 to proceed scanning.